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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005–06 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1423

Introduced by Assembly Member Bogh

February 22, 2005

An act ~~relating to repeal and to amend Section 701 of, and to add Section 701.5 of to,~~ the Public Resources Code, relating to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1423, as amended, Bogh. Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

Under existing law, the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection in the Resources Agency is responsible for, among other things, providing fire protection, fire prevention, forest and range protection, and enhancement implements and apparatus as necessary.

This bill would change the name of the department, on and after January 1, 2007, to the California Department of Fire and Forestry, and permit reference to the department, where appropriate, as CAL-FIRE. The bill would also prohibit any supplies, forms, insignias, signs, or logos from being destroyed or changed as a result of the name change and would require that they continue to be used until exhausted or unserviceable.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 701 of the Public Resources Code is
2 amended to read:

3 701. (a) There is in the Resources Agency the ~~Department of~~
4 ~~Forestry and Fire Protection~~ *California Department of Fire and*
5 *Forestry*, which is under the control of an executive officer
6 known as the Director of ~~Forestry and Fire Protection~~ *the*
7 *California Department of Fire and Forestry*. The director is
8 appointed by the Governor and holds office at the pleasure of the
9 Governor. The appointment of the director is subject to
10 confirmation by the Senate at the next regular or special session
11 of the Legislature, and the refusal or failure of the Senate to
12 confirm the appointment shall create a vacancy in the office. The
13 director shall receive an annual salary as provided by Chapter 6
14 (commencing with Section 11550) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title
15 2 of the Government Code.

16 (b) There shall be one Deputy Director of ~~Forestry and Fire~~
17 ~~Protection~~ *the California Department of Fire and Forestry*
18 appointed by the director who shall be exempt from civil service.

19 (c) There shall be one Deputy Director of ~~Forestry and Fire~~
20 ~~Protection~~ *the California Department of Fire and Forestry*
21 appointed by the director in accordance with the State Civil
22 Service Act who shall be a registered professional forester.

23 (d) The deputy directors shall have duties as assigned, from
24 time to time, by the director, and they shall be responsible to the
25 director for the performance of those duties.

26 ~~SECTION 1. Section 701 of the Public Resources Code is~~
27 ~~repealed.~~

28 SEC. 2. Section 701.5 is added to the Public Resources Code,
29 to read:

30 701.5. (a) Notwithstanding ~~Section 701~~, Section 12805 of the
31 Government Code, or any other provision of law, on and after
32 January 1, 2007, the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
33 shall be the California Department of Fire and Forestry and may
34 be referred to, where appropriate, as CAL-FIRE.

35 (b) On and after January 1, 2007, any reference to the
36 Department of Forestry and Fire Protection is deemed to be to the
37 California Department of Fire and Forestry and any reference to

- 1 the Director of Forestry and Fire Protection is deemed to be to
- 2 the Director of the California Department of Fire and Forestry.
- 3 (c) No existing supplies, forms, insignias, signs, or logos shall
- 4 be destroyed or changed as a result of this name change, and they
- 5 shall continue to be used until exhausted or unserviceable.

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